

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 2 as follows:

- 1 1. (Currently amended) A method of presenting a unified view of a first message
2 sent to a first mailbox on a second client using a low cost communication channel and
3 a high cost communication channel, a first client having a second communication
4 channel with a second mailbox and a low cost communication channel with the
5 second client, the second client capable of being coupled in communication with the
6 second mailbox using the high cost communication channel, the method comprising:
7 receiving the first message at the first client;
8 generating a distinguishing identifier for the first message;
9 sending at least a portion of the first message and the distinguishing identifier to
10 the second mailbox using the second communication channel;
11 responsive to an action on the first message on the first client, creating a second
12 message including the distinguishing identifier and a description of the
13 action;
14 sending the second message to the second mailbox using the second
15 communication channel;
16 selectably updating the unified view of the first message on the second client
17 using either the high cost communication channel or the low cost
18 communication channel.
- 1 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the selectably updating the
2 unified view further comprises:
3 using the low cost communication channel when the second client is coupled in
4 communication with the first client;

5 updating the unified view of the first message on the second client using the at
6 least a portion of the first message and the action;
7 removing the at least a portion of the first message and the second message from
8 the second mailbox after updating the unified view.

1 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the selectively updating the unified
2 view further comprises:

3 using the high cost communication channel when the second client is coupled in
4 communication with the second mailbox;

5 receiving the at least a portion of the first message on the second client from the
6 second mailbox;

7 receiving the second message on the second client using the second message; and
8 updating the unified view of the first message on the second client using the
9 second message.

1 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the high cost communication channel
2 comprises a wireless communication channel.

1 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the low cost communication channel
2 comprises a synchronization communication channel.

1 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the action comprises at least one of
2 reading the first message, replying to the first message, forwarding the first message,
3 classifying the first message, and deleting the first message.

1 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first message includes an
2 attachment, and wherein the at least a portion of the first message comprises a
3 predetermined amount of the first message without the attachment.

- 1 8. (Currently amended) An apparatus for presenting a unified view of a first message .
- 2 sent to a first mailbox on a second client using a low cost communication channel and
- 3 a high cost communication channel, first client having a second communication
- 4 channel with a second mailbox and a low cost communication channel with the
- 5 second client, the second client capable of being coupled in communication with the
- 6 second mailbox using the high cost communication channel, the method comprising:
- 7 means for receiving the message at the first client;
- 8 means for generating a distinguishing identifier for the first message;
- 9 means for sending at least a portion of the first message and the distinguishing
- 10 identifier to the second mailbox using the second communication channel;
- 11 means for creating a second message including the distinguishing identifier and a
- 12 description of the action responsive to an action on the first message on the first
- 13 client;
- 14 means for sending the second message to the second mailbox using the second
- 15 communication channel; and
- 16 means for selectively updating the unified view of the first message on the second
- 17 client using either the high cost communication channel or the low cost
- 18 communication channel.
- 1 9. (Original) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the means for generating a
- 2 distinguishing identifier for the first message comprises:
- 3 means for generating a string with an address corresponding to the first mailbox;
- 4 means for generating an increasing number; and
- 5 means for adding a header to the first message, the header including the
- 6 increasing number and the string.

1 10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the means for generating a
2 distinguishing identifier for the first message comprises means for computing a
3 secure hash of a portion of the first message.

1 11 - 18. (Canceled)

1 19. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 1.

1 20. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 2.

1 21. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 3.

1 22. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 4

1 23. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 5.

1 24. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 6.

1 25. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 7.

1 26. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 8.

1 27. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 9.

1 28. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 10.

1 29. (Previously Presented) A method of presenting a unified view of messages in a
2 first mailbox and a second mailbox, wherein the first mailbox is hosted by a first
3 host and the second mailbox is hosted by a second host, comprising:

4 a first client of the first mailbox receiving a first message addressed to the first
5 mailbox;
6 determining whether the first message has been assigned an identifier;
7 if the first message has not been assigned an identifier, then:
8 generating a first identifier that is unique relative to other identifiers
9 assigned to the messages by the first client of the first mailbox and
10 a second client of the second mailbox, and
11 sending at least a portion of the first message to the second mailbox;
12 detecting an action taken on the first message by the first client; and
13 in response to detecting the action, transmitting a second message to the second
14 client that includes the first identifier and a description of the action.
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1 30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein:
2 a set of channel communications between the first client and the second client
3 includes a first channel of communication and a second channel of
4 communication;
5 the steps further include selecting the first channel of communication; and
6 wherein the step of sending the first message includes sending the first message
7 via the first channel.

1 31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the first channel of
2 communication does not require participation of the second host to transmit the
3 first message.

1 32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the second channel of
2 communication includes a wireless channel of communication.

1 33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein selecting the first
2 channel of communication includes selecting the first channel based on relative
3 cost between the first channel and the second channel.

1 34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein sending the first message
2 is deferred until a connection is established over the first channel.

1 35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein the steps further include,
2 if the first message has been assigned an identifier, foregoing sending at least a
3 portion of the first message to the second mailbox.

1 36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein sending the second
2 message causes the action to be repeated on the second client.

1 37. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 29.

1 38. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 30.

1 39. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 31.

1 40. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors, causes
3 the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 32.

1 41. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 33.

1 42. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 34.

1 43. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
2 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
3 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 35.

4 44. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more
5 sequences of instructions which, when executed by one or more processors,
6 causes the one or more processors to perform the method recited in Claim 36.